EVENTS

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From gigs to exhibitions, here's your itinerary of things to do in Metro Manila for the month of January

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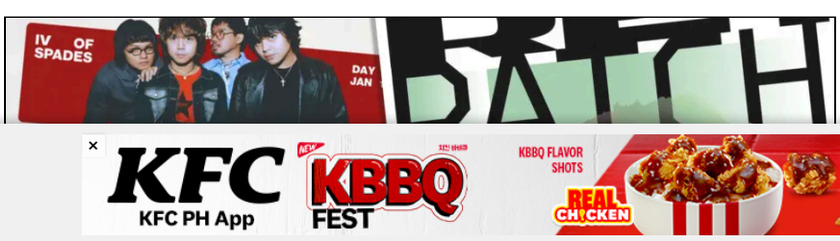

And what are your weekend plans? Artwork by KN Vicente

This January, we're excited to see what events have in store for everyone waiting for the weekend before we enter 2026. From moshing to the latest buzz band inside of a dining hall in Quezon City, or the more eclectic lineups at the nearest parties in Makati City, to the transgressive art exhibit openings all over the city.

CREATURES OF HABIT

Mow's Bar, Kowloon House, Matalino Street, Quezon City
January 16
P300

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Fuzz rock act Degz! marks a major milestone with the release of their debut album, “Creatures of Habit,” turning Mow’s Bar into a home base for distortion-heavy guitars and tight-knit indie community energy. The album launch brings together artists from the Elev8 MeL8r collective alongside the newly formed Form Function initiative with bands such as Laguna indie rock band Hazylazy, noise rock band Goon Lagoon, pop rock duo The Nomads, and psychedelic rock band Man Made Evil.

CONTROL

Apotheka Manila, White Rabbit Building, 5672 Dona Carmen Street cor General Luna Street, Poblacion, Makati
January 16
P500

Dance music promotion Control takes over Apotheka Manila with DJ performances by J-Nice, Tomas Felix, Calival, and Matti, each coming from different corners of dance music. Pulling from jungle, UK garage, deep bass, hyperpop, and left-field club mutations, the concept of Control shows how DJs treat the dance floor as a testing ground for new and old audiences in the club, asking how far a crowd is willing to move with any kind of dance music.

HIRAYA MUSIC FESTIVAL

Clark Global City Grounds, Angeles City, Pampanga
January 17 & January 18
P3,000

Hiraya Music Festival brings a large-scale production to Clark Global City Grounds, offering Pampanga another major festival moment for two days. Hiraya offers a lineup that bridges pop, rock, and hip-hop with headliners IV of Spades, Flow G, Juan Karlos, Amiel Sol, Earl Agustin, and Dionela leading a stacked roster. The appeal lies in musical range, from guitar-driven anthems to chart-facing rap and R&B that dominates the charts.

APOTHEKA'S TEMPLE OF RHYTHM

Apotheka, White Rabbit Building, 572 Dona Carmen Street cor. General Luna, Poblacion, Makati City
January 17
10:00 p.m. onwards
Reach out to Apotheka via Instagram for inquiries

This Saturday, for one night only, Apotheka transforms into a Temple of Rhythm as DJs from Afro-fusion group Plus234, music collective Eighth Floor, and performance DJ YLMRN take over the decks.

RE:PATCH

WHYNoT Manila, 4th floor of Karrivin Studios, 2316 Chino Roces Ave Ext. Makati
January 16
6:00 p.m. onwards
Regular tickets are priced at P500
Student tickets are priced at P350

Femme-curated art platform HERESY presents Re:Patch, an evening of live performances, conversations, and knowledge-sharing for members of Manila's creative communities. Moderated by Joee Mejias and Alyana Cabral of HERESY, the program will open with a discussion with Syrphe Records' label head Cedrik Fermont, Frankie Lalunio from 98B COLLABoratory's sound platform, and experimental musician Erick Calilan. Composer and sound artist Tintin Patrone will lead an instrument-led workshop, accompanied by Pette Shabu.

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